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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: RCAA PARTICIPATION IN U.S.-GHANA

CIVIL AIR NEGOTIATIONS; RCAA HOME LEAVE ORDERS; AMENDMENT
TO PREVIOUS RCAA TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION.

BRUSSELS AND LAGOS FOR FAA

RABAT FOR BMO

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1. ALTHOUGH STRESSING DESIRABILITY RCAA WHITMAN PARTICIPATION IN FORTHCOMING ROUND U.S.-GHANA NEGOTIATIONS, REGRET THAT DEPARTMENT IS UNABLE ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE. SUGGEST WHITMAN MIGHT WISH CONSULT AGAIN WITH POST ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REGARDING ANY OTHER POSSIBILITIES FOR FUNDING ACCRA TRIP, BUT REALIZE POST FACING SEVERE STRICTURES DUE CURRENT LEVEL OF TRAVEL FUND OBLIGATION.

2. RE HOME LEAVE, WHITMAN BY NOW SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED

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REF B REQUESTING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING REASSIGN-

MENT PREFERENCES. PER INDICATES ISSUANCE OF HOME LEAVE TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION WILL BE EXPEDITED ONCE THIS INFORMATION IS RECEIVED.

3. RE CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL AUTHORIZING TRAVEL VIA FRANKFURT IN BOTH DIRECTIONS LAST FALL FROM CASABLANCA

TO ACCRA AND RETURN, AF DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PIPER INDICATES BUREAU WILL REQUIRE STRONG JUSTIFICATION IN ORDER AUTHORIZE THIS DOUBLE DETOUR, AND NOTES NO SUCH JUSTIFICATION CONTAINED EITHER IN ORIGINAL AMENDMENT REQUEST OR FOLLOWUP. SINCE INCOMING MESSAGES WERE NOT FLAGGED FOR AF THEY WERE ROUTED ROUTINELY TO PER AS TRAVEL MESSAGES NORMALLY WOULD BE, THUS NOT ACTED UPON IN REGIONAL BUREAU. SUGGEST WHITMAN CABLE DETAILED JUSTIFICATION SOONEST, SLUGGED "FOR AF/EX." KISSINGER

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